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COUNTY OF McLEAN

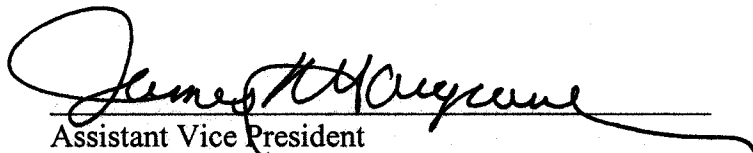
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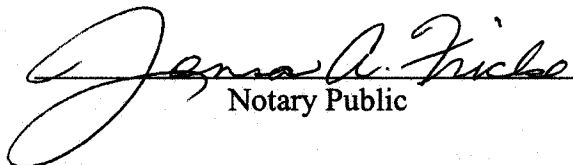
Docket No. 01-0428

**VERIFICATION OF VERIZON NORTH INC. & VERIZON SOUTH INC.
REGARDING AN APPROVED INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**

James R. Hargrave, being first duly sworn, deposes and states that he is the Assistant Vice President-Public Policy & External Affairs for Verizon North Inc. and Verizon South Inc.; that he is authorized by Verizon North Inc. and Verizon South Inc. to make this verification; that he has read the Interconnection Agreement between Verizon and AT&T Communications of Illinois, Inc. and adopted by Z-Tel Communications, Inc. as approved by this Commission on August 14, 2001, and knows the contents thereof; that to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, this approved adoption of an Interconnection Agreement is the same as the Agreement originally filed in this docket with the verified Joint Petition.


Assistant Vice President
Public Policy & External Affairs

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public for the State of Illinois this 16 day of August, 2001.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

